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Stamps For Norse King's Birthday

The forthcoming August 3 85th birthday anniversary of King Haakon VII of Norway will be marked by the issuance of 35 ore red and 65c blue stamps bearing the king's likeness.



Face value in U. S. currency is 15c, they may be ordered from the Post Office Department, Oslo, Norway; include return postage. The post office does not service FD covers of this set.

Norway raised some rates July 1. As a result new stamps are to be issued: 500 yellow-brown and 750 red brown, both showing the king. Also three officials of 20, 50 and 75c. They will bear the usual "Offentlig Sak" design.

All five stamps will be printed in sheets of 100 on unwatermarked paper by the photogravure process. Printing will be done by Emil Moesle, Oslo; perforations will be 13. The day of issue has not been announced.

Mint stamps of these sets may be ordered as directed above. Calculate the kroner at 15c (100 ore-1kr.) and include sufficient return postage.

PO Gives Jamestown, Oklahoma FD Totals

Of the Jamestown commemorative 771,434 stamps were sold with a face value of \$23,143.02. 365,933 covers were cancelled on the first day of sale, June 10, at Norfolk, Va.

Corresponding figures for the Oklahoma Statehood were given as 1,048,081 stamps sold for a value of \$31,442.55 327,172 first day covers were cancelled at Oklahoma City, June 14.

Charles R. Chickering is the designer of the Teachers of America Stamp of July 1. Engravers were: vignette, Charles A. Brooks and Richard M. Bower; outline frame, panel, lettering and numerals, Robert J. Jones.



NATIONAL VPS PREXY MAKES VISIT. Just recently William Wonneberger, Jr. of Stratford, Conn., national president of the Vatican Philatelic Society visited the Eastern Massachusetts Chapter and spoke on Roman States stamps. He illustrated much of his talk from his outstanding collection of these issues. Reading from left to right are Mr. Wonneberger, Rev. H. A. Phinney, vice president of the VPS and the chapter; L. Paul Marini, chapter president; Frederick L. Levitsky, VPS treasurer.

Mariazell, Famous Austrian Church Of Pilgrimages And Miracles Marks 800th Year

Dr. Walter Frodl

On June 22 Austria issued the first stamp in a new definitive series the designs of which will picture famous buildings of the nation. It is a 1 Schilling value in dark brown picturing the Church of Mariazell. This item is somewhat commemorative in nature for it marks the 800th anniversary of the establishment and building of this three-towered place of worship. It is the scene of many pilgrimages — miracles have happened there. The stamp is certainly of prime interest to Collectors of Religion on Stamps and those who limit themselves to churches on the world's adheres.

According to a very old legend, the Monk Magnus, on the order of the Abbot Otko of St. Lambrecht in Styria, settled down in Mariazell in 1157 "to care for the spiritual needs of the population, a people of herdsmen". From his cell, he brought a statue of the madonna, for which he built a plain little chapel. These were the beginnings of what is now known as the Basilica of Mariazell, Austria's foremost place of pilgrimage.

The year 1957, marking as it does the 800th anniversary of the shrine, presents a suitable occasion for the restoration of the basilica. This is in accordance with a tradition which has grown up in recent centuries, whereby

the anniversary was regarded as the appropriate moment for the execution of extensive restoration work both inside and outside the basilica.

The impressive, three-towered building as it stands today is approximately 85 metres long and 30 metres wide, the dome space rising 40 metres from the ground. It is the work of the architect Domenico Sciaressi of Misso in the Grisons and was erected between 1644 and 1673. There were at least two earlier structures, namely, a romanesque church, the construction of which, according to a more recent inscription on the main entrance, was begun about the year 1200, and a gothic building of which the nave with the porch, the west entrance, and the center spire survived extensive baroque renovations.

The gothic choir, probably erected in 1340, was dismantled when the church was rebuilt in the 17th century. Between 1380 and 1396, the three-aisled hall church was erected following

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Release At Washington, D. C. On August 1; Production Of 40 Million Copies Authorized

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced that the stamp commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the United States Air Force as a part of the National defense system will be first placed on sale on August 1 at Washington D. C. In a 6c denomination, it will be printed in Air Force blue. An initial printing of 40,000,000 of these stamps has been authorized.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations of the Air Force commemorative may send addressed envelopes, together with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, Washington, D. C. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers".

The design details and an illustration of the stamp will be published later.

It is expected that the Air Force will go all out in preparing a proper launching of the stamp. It is an item toward which this branch of the armed services has looked forward to for a long time.

Sufficient time has elapsed since the Post Office Department notified the USAF of the acceptance of the idea for a commemorative that substantial preparations were possible.

It is probable that the stamp will have its release during special ceremonies at the White House with President Eisenhower participating in the ceremonies.

New Zealand's 1957 Health Set

The New Zealand Post Office announced that the 1957 Health stamps will be placed on sale September 25. There will be only two denominations in this year's series 3d (2d postage + 1d Health) and 4d (3d postage + 1d Health).

The design of the 3d by L. Cutten depicts a life-saving team going into action. The stamp is printed in two colors, the subject being shown in black and the background green. The 4d features a beach scene. It was drawn by L. C. Mitchell; the colors are: center, blue; frame and lettering, red. The stamps are being printed in Antwerp by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd., by the rotary direct plate process. The size is 37mm x 21mm, 60 stamps to a sheet.



On this occasion a limited quantity of miniature sheets is being made available to facilitate sales by the Health Camps Federation. In each value the miniature sheets will consist of six stamps. These miniature sheets will not be on general sale at post office counters.

Overseas collectors and dealers ordering "Health" first day covers to be supplied and serviced by the New Zealand Post Office should include the cost of the covers in addition to the servicing fee (2c total, per cover). In cases where clients supply their own addressed covers, the servicing fee is reduced to 1 1/2c per cover. Face value of the pair is 9c.

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On March 2 a helicopter first from Paris went to Brussels. This Sabena flight has a red cachet on the Paris dispatch while the Brussels return flight 3-3-57 has the regular black Sabena heliport cancel. You may look your flight covers over close for some heliport covers do not have fancy cachets but merely a heliport cancel. While on Sabena it must be mentioned that on March 13 a first went to Bucharest and another went to Budapest. The Budapest is b/s March 13 while the Bucharest is b/s March 14. These two are not helicopter flights.

This writer has an article called COLLECTING STAMPS BY SHORT WAVE in one of India's top stamp publications. The February issue of "Hobby-ism" is just now reaching the States and this publication (in English) lists many of the top Asian and African collectors who want to exchange material, covers, etc.

A mention of short-wave radio prompts me to say that collectors with short wave radios have been trying to get mail from Mongolia. All I can say is that Radio Ulan Bator (Mongolia) has not been heard from for sometime in the States. However, several European listeners claim they heard the station recently. I must also mention that the Antarctic land is well represented by "ham" radio. Tune your set to 14Mc (20 Meters) and tune for some of these polar hams. When you hear them, write; you will obtain some nice philatelic covers. (Of course, tell them about their signal—how loud, etc.).

A cover cancelled April 14 is a first for KLM to Belgrade. KLM went all out on this nice three-color cacheted envelope. I understand from a few collectors and dealers that this is a tough baby to obtain. Flight collectors should try to get it for their KLM collection. On September 3 KLM plans to fly to Houston, Tex. This should make an interesting item.

The Ryukyu philatelic agency (as of May 20) was sold out of all postal stationery except the following: December 2, 1953—yen ordinary card and +yen return card. Also, the 15-yen air letter sheet is in stock (this was issued September 10, 1955). Also, check all letters (if you have any) in which



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In previous columns I have mentioned airletters which are beginning to boom. From Australia I hear the only two tough items at this time are the Olympic Village air letter and the one shilling stamp with the short "L".

The Olympic village sheet does not have the imprinted stamp on it and requires adhesives. This was sold to the Olympic stars to mail

letters to their homes. Should you obtain some try to send one to an Australian friend and let it cancelled. Try to get one mint and one used.

Several rocket flights are in the making and rumor has it some of these will carry philatelic mail. As soon as I find out when, how, and where I shall try to bring the news to airmail collectors.

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I Am Through With Problems

That is of course unless I find another one as tricky as the one that has been discussed in the past couple months. Here I am down in Florida and trying to live like a native and feel like a retired northerner. To do this we try to avoid as much work as possible and to be active in the outdoors to keep us in good physical condition.

However, any man who retires and stops everything is headed in the wrong direction. One must have some active interests to keep him well and fit, and I know of nothing that I can do easier than to write and work with stamps. After a few hours per day at such activity I try to get outdoors a bit either roaming about our yard or over at the golf club which is directly across the road from our home.

Since I started this stamp problem some several weeks ago I have been loaded with letters that I have to read. I can not attempt to answer any of them as there are too many, so the answers must come thru this column. Besides reading the letters I have had to make a set of cards, one for each state and then carefully enter the name and address of the first person from each state who comes up with a correct answer. It can be said that the way

the problem was stated, that there can be many different correct answers.

Anything that worked out in a correct manner is acceptable as an answer. Perhaps I should have stated in the first place that the sum paid each man was less than a dollar; that would have narrowed down the possible number of answers to a very few. Some people split the answer up so that they figured part of the stamps sold in dozen lots at so much per dozen and thus had the stamps down to a fraction of a cent each. Such answers I could not accept since among collectors trading one with another, they are seldom figured per dozen, but at so much per stamp. So I felt it not fair to consider such answers.

After the first statement of the problem there was a goodly number of answers but only about a dozen that were correct. After the second statement of the problem where things were cleared up a bit a real shower of answers came and it has been a big job to read and check all of them. I do not remember anything ever printed in this column that has brought so many letters to the editor as has this problem. Naturally the offer was a prize of a 30-word classified advertisement to the first person from each state, also from Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico. I have added Washington, D.C. to this list, making 52 prizes in all, but even then there are at this writing (June 13) 23 states from which a correct answer has not been received. Several of these may come before July 1 however. I have already spent several days time in handling this problem and as I said at the beginning, "I am through with problems". This is of course unless I find another hot one.

There have been some very interesting answers. Page after page of algebra has been used by some. A school principal in Maine wrote nine full $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ inch pages of school stationery in pen and ink in explaining his solution of the problem.

One of the most interesting answers we have is from John Woyke of Forest Park, Ill. I am printing this answer below for it shows what our young students are doing and what their aims and ambitions are. We feel certain John will succeed in whatever branch of engineering he may choose. As for algebra which he mentions we forgot all we ever knew about it years ago and in problems such as this we have always worked them out by guessing numbers and then proving them backwards. I well remember an algebra problem in school I was about 16. I was the first in the class to get the right answer but I could not do it by algebra. I had picked numbers at random and figured the problem backwards and came up with the right answer.

Now for the letter from John Woyke.

The stamp problem which has just appeared in the June 10 issue of Linn's is not simple, nor can it be solved with simple algebraic equations. There are an infinite number of answers which would satisfy the problem, so I am giving you the simplest answer which does not contain fractions, which probably is exactly what you want.

"After spending four hours on the problem I have finally come up with the following answers: You have bought from the man with 15 stamps 4 of them at 3c, and the other 11 at 2c, for a total of \$1.70. From the man with 50 stamps you purchased 2 at 3c and 48 at 2c for a total also of \$1.70, and the man with 85 sold you all his stamps at 2c to receive another \$1.70.

"As I have said before it is impossible to solve the problem algebraically and the answer must be found by guesswork. However, by using algebra I have found a way to narrow down the possibilities to only ten. It took me four hours to figure out the method to get this formula and only ten minutes once I had found it to solve the problem. I am enclosing the method by which I solved it on another sheet of paper.

"I am a junior in high school, a math major, and intend to go into some branch of engineering after graduation.

"I hope I have understood the problem correctly; I have assumed that the same price was paid for all of the third man's 85 stamps while two prices were paid to the other men."

A card good for a 30-word classified advertisement was mailed to the winner in each state. If you did not get one you know that someone was in ahead of you. We wish we could have given a prize to everyone but that is not possible.

While you are reading this Mrs. Linn and I will be up Ohio or in New York State visiting her father and sister. We will be back home in Howey about the end of July when I will perhaps have a stack of mail that I will have to dig into and try to get answers to those to whom an answer should be sent. We hope you have a pleasant summer too.

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Argentine Stamp Best Religious

An Argentine stamp (Scott type AP19) depicting the Christ Child has been voted the most outstanding stamp of a general religious theme issued in 1956 by members of the Collectors of Religion on Stamps Society (COROS). Results of the balloting were announced by the Rev. Aloysius S. Horn of Fremont, Ohio, chairman of the committee which conducted the poll.

The winning design shows a detail from da Vinci's famous painting, "Virgin of the Rock" which hangs in the Louvre in Paris.

Selected as the best Catholic theme of the year was the Vatican's A74, depicting "Our Lady of Czestochowa", familiarly known as the Black Virgin. German Republic set type A172-3 issued in honor of the Kirchentag German Protestant faith festival won in the Protestant class. Israel again took top honors for the best Jewish religious design, this time with its set showing the symbols of the Twelve Tribes.



COROS voters selected the Black Virgin stamp as the best in overall design and inspiration; the Christ Child issue was a close second.

The Black Virgin stamp focuses attention of the philatelic world on a remarkable ancient painting, attributed by legend to St. Luke, the Apostle. Preserved at first in Jerusalem, it was taken to Constantinople by St. Helena in 326, and more than 500 years later to the city of Kiev, Russia. It remained in the royal palace of Belz as an object of veneration for 579 years and then was removed to Poland by Prince Ladislaus to protect it from Mongol invaders.

Known now as "Our Lady of Czestochowa", the painting has become a national symbol to the oppressed Polish people. In 1656 Our Lady of Czestochowa was named Queen of Poland by the Pope and the Vatican issued this stamp both to mark the 300th anniversary of that proclamation and to pay tribute to the enduring faith of the persecuted Polish people.

The Kirchentag stamps of West Germany reproduce the design featuring five Crosses that was the symbol of the ecumenical German Protestant gathering last summer in Frankfort, while the Israel stamps showing the symbols of the 12 Tribes are of great interest to collectors of stamps that illustrate the Bible.

Altogether, more than 130 stamps with religious themes appeared from various nations in 1956, with two U.S. stamps figuring in the balloting for the first time. These are the 9c Alamo (the Al-

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mo was a mission church before it became a fortress), and the 3c Labor Day which depicts a mother reading to her child from the Bible. Collectors from nine foreign nations joined the American members of COROS in the balloting.

Herman "Pat" Herst
Recent Bridegroom

On June 24 Herman "Pat" Herst, popular dealer and "Sage of Shrub Oak", N. Y. and Mrs. Ida Siegel Busch, of Mt. Kisco, N. Y. were married in Temple Beth El, Chappaqua, N. Y.

The couple will make their home in Shrub Oak where "Pat" has long been established in the philatelic field. They plan a honeymoon trip to Tampa, Fla., for the American Philatelic Society Convention late in August. Each has two children by an earlier marriage.

1957 STAMP PROGRAM
Aug. 1 — 6c Air Force 50th Anniversary, Washington, D. C. (50 per pane, 40 million)

Aug. 15 — 3c Shipbuilding 350th Year, Bath, Me. (No further details).

Aug. 31 — Ramon Magsaysay, first of proposed "Champions of Liberty" series. Details later.

Sept. 6 — Lafayette Birth Bicentennial (No further details).

Wildlife Conservation (details not announced)

ALREADY ISSUED

1086 — Hamilton 3c, New York, N. Y. January 11.

1087 — Polio 3c, Washington, D. C. January 15.

1088 — C & GS 3c, Seattle, Wash., February 11.

1089 — Architects 3c, New York, N. Y., February 23.

1090 — Steel 3c, New York, N. Y. May 22.

1091 — Jamestown 3c, Norfolk, Va., June 10.

1092 — Oklahoma 3c, Oklahoma City, Okla., June 14.

1093 — Teachers 3c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 1.

1094 — U. S. Flag 4c, Washington, D. C., July 4.

CANADA

Aug. 14 — 5c and 15c UPU commems. (See Linn's of July 1 for FDC details).

UNITED NATIONS

Oct. 24 — 3c and 8c UN Day.

Dec. 10 — 3c and 8c Human Rights Day.

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The vacation is now over for this year — it was a most enjoyable one. Never had even a threat of an accident which now days is something for one to consider when he takes his family on the road for a trip of several thousand miles.

Liked Williamsburg and Jamestown, Virginia immensely and would recommend a stay of no less than two days in that area to get the full benefit of their attractions. At Williamsburg it isn't enough to drive your car through the streets to take in the colonial atmosphere. You have to enter and visit the delightfully reconstructed buildings and gardens.

That, of course, takes time and quite a bit of oomph, for the legs and back of even the hardiest tourist will get weak after several hours of the required walking. However, there are places to rest for a spell and then go on.

The Exposition at Jamestown is worthwhile but there is too little of physical things on Jamestown Island to warrant the full tour on foot, even though we all made it.

We also visited Yorktown. The historical part is suitable but the village is a tremendous disappointment being about as run down a place as I have ever seen. It would seem that it could stand the same treatment which has made Williamsburg the wonderful place it now is.

Got to Kitty Hawk and Nags Head on North Carolina's Outer Banks thence through the width of the state to Cherokee where Smoky Mountains National Park begins on the Carolina side. Beyond Raleigh, west, the scenery is superb.

In the next few days I'll begin on the accumulated stack of mail. Sorry you had to wait for your replies.

1. Two of the National Parks set of 1934 pictured scenes east of the Mississippi River. What are they, and on what denominations do they appear?

2. Which of the National Parks series designs were used in souvenir sheet form?

I don't know about the rest of you but it has given me an extreme pain in the background to hear the sanctimonious bleatings of the super patriots relative to the U. S. Flag commem of July 4. They scream to heaven and the Post Office Department that it is a sacrifice and high treason to put our flag in colors on a stamp where it will be desecrated with a cancellation.

No one is desecrating anything. The pleasure and satisfaction which most of us will get from seeing our flag on a stamp is worth a great deal.

In order to get in the criminal class you have to have "an intent" or motive for your act. I can't see many of our citizens mutilating the picture of the flag in spite. They could do the same thing with any representation of it.

Should you meet up with any of this lunatic fringe postmark them with a 2 lb. ball-pein hammer.

If it hadn't been for Jack Carosino of Aberdeen, Wash. I would have missed out on a cover pertaining to postal history. I didn't learn of the raise in special delivery, certified mail and other rates until after the effective date of July 1. On vacation you don't do much newspaper reading.

He saved the day however by preparing a special delivery, certified mail cover with a last day cancellation — June 30 — and sending it to me.

Nice surprise in the mail. Jimmy Tanning of New York City sent a couple of souvenirs of the Interna-

tional Naval Review at Hampton Roads, Va. Each of them had the Jamestown-Naval Review comment tied to the cover with the first day hand cancellation.

One of the pieces is the Program of the Review with all kinds of data about the ships participating, and the Navies of the various nations represented. The other is the souvenir folder which told about the great event.

From David Wallace of Norman, Okla. came one of the official souvenir programs of the first day of the Oklahoma Statehood commem. Here was a bit of luck for Mr. Wallace was one of the persons who distributed the programs at the ceremony and had a few of them processed.

This year Tallmadge, Ohio is celebrating the sesquicentennial of its founding. Like many communities which stage celebrations at such times the town sponsored the publication of a book with many pictures of old time citizens, activities and events plus a number of articles on the past, present and future of the community.

There is an especially interesting section devoted to the postal aspects of Tallmadge. It was written by F. E. Lawrence, president of the historical society and a subscriber to Linn's. He certainly did a lot of digging to come up with all the facts and interesting data he offers.

I think the book will be of interest to those with a historical bent. It costs \$1.30, which includes packing and postage, and I believe you will be safe in directing your orders to him — F. E. Lawrence, 136 South-east Ave., Tallmadge, Ohio.

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It would seem to me that there'd be more possible damage using a scissors. One slip and you've had it!

A number of collectors have told me about the spelling of the city on FDC's of the Teachers commem. This stamp was released at Philadelphia July 1.

In the circular part of the automatic cancelling machine die wherein are the name of the city, time and date, the spelling of Philadelphia is "PHILADELPIA". It has the "H" missing in the PHIA.

There's no telling how many were cancelled that way. If a great many are then the normal spelling would be the scarce type and the misspelling common. It is an interesting oddity which probably brought deep blushes to the postal staff.

(Added Note — I have learned 40,000 covers were cancelled before the error was discovered).

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The Church of Marienzell appears in the design of what is claimed is the first denomination in a new series for regular postage which Austria will release to replace the current "Costumes". It had its day of issue on June 22. The special first day postmark reproduces the statue of the Blessed Virgin and Child housed within the church. Joachim Dill of Bad Neustadt, Germany sent the cover.

MARIENZELL
 (Continued from page 1)

King Ludwig of Hungary's rich endowment in gratitude for his victory over the Turks, which event probably took place in the year 1377.

The nave with its eight slender pillars bearing the rib-vaulting, and terminated by the Lady Altar, constitutes the chief gothic element of the church. At the time of baroque rebuilding, the pillars were encased and the vaulting between the ribs covered with rich stucco ornamentation so that the layman now finds difficulty in discerning the medieval kernel beneath the gaudy baroque shell.

In the space behind the organ gallery, the many-colored gothic ribs were laid bare during the restoration in 1956. Further restoration brought other gothic elements to light on the inside of the west side-entrances so that it is now possible at least to some extent to visualize the appearance of the gothic church. However, it is the west entrance with the exquisite stone reliefs of the tympanum which conveys the most vivid idea of the building endowed by King Ludwig of Hungary.

More traces of gothic architecture and sculptures are to be found on the Lady Altar. It is possible that the gothic middle tower originally bore a freework stone-cupola such as may be seen today, for instance, on the church of Maria am Gestade in Vienna. The great fire of 1827 appears to have damaged it so severely that it had to be renewed altogether, the restoration being effected, unfortunately, as incompetently as that of the roof, which was made considerably lower and more simply than the original one.

Let us consider now the work of Domenico Sciascia, the baroque architect. To the gothic nave which he preserved and merely extended by a series of side chapels surmounted by galleries, he added two towers in the west front and a sort of transept in the east, adjoined by a large domed space and a new presbytery. In order to house the sacristies, the treasury, and the vestment room, he added wings to the north and south fronts of the domed space.

The interior of the church was subdivided by pilasters comprising extended capitals and cornices, while the vaults were richly adorned with exquisite stucco-work. The latter was carried out, between 1649 and 1672, mainly by Italian masters, Mattia Camin, Alessandro Serenio, and Giovanni Rocco.

The frescoes in the vaulting are the work of Georg Hausein of Bamberg and of J. B. Columba; they were probably completed in 1680. In the year 1704, the impressive new building was re-consecrated.

The importance of this place of pilgrimage, which for many centuries has been visited by pilgrims from all over Austria as well as from Bohemia, Croatia, and, above all, Hungary, is aptly reflected by the sumptuous interior decorations of the basilica. The center of it all is the Altar to Our Lady. It was the Empress Maria Theresa and her Consort Franz I who in 1756 donated the altar decoration and the silver grille. This is a magnificent and also artistically important

basilica and its interior decoration, which was carried out from 1954 to 1957 in view of the jubilee, was meant in the first place to safeguard the structure as such. Firstly, all damage to the roof and windows was repaired and all outside architectural elements, above all the cornices, renovated, while the walls were newly plastered and colored in such a manner as to recapture the original appearance of the church before the fire in 1827.

Inside the church, the pilasters were covered with a smooth red-marble stucco to harmonize both with the frescoes in the vaulting whose former brilliance was regained by restoration and cleaning, and with the rich stucco decorations.

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Martin Bostrom, Orebro, Sweden who sent the above news, advises that the proposed 100 and 300mk denominations expected for some time will not appear until 1958. The planned 35mk. for the definitive series will not be issued.

On December 4 there will be a commemorative for the 100th birth anniversary of Finnish actress Ida Alberg.

The annual Red Cross semipostals will be released in November.

Nicaraguan Dozen In Church Tribute

On July 16 Nicaragua issued two sets of six stamps each (one of airs, one of regulars) honoring the Nicaraguan Catholic Church and depicting various illustrious prelates and church edifices. The stamps are bi-colored, 29x35mm. in size and perforated on all sides.

Airs are 30, 60, 75, and 90c, 1.50 and 2C.; regulars are 5, 10, 15, 20, and 30c and 1C. Quantities are 50,000 or more of each, excepting the Cordoba values; 20,000 of the 1.50 and 15,000 each of the 1 and 2C. Only 15,000 complete sets can exist.

News of the new issue came from J. H. Montenegro, Masaya, Nicaragua, C. A.

Mrs. Max Johl Dies; Widow Of Philatelist

Mrs. Janet Pagter Johl, widow of famous philatelist Max Johl died June 18 in Groton, Conn. Her husband had died March 31.

While not known as a stamp collector, Mrs. Johl was an authority on doll collecting. She was the author of many articles on the subject and one book, "The Fascinating Story of Dolls", was published in New York in 1941.

Two sons, Peter and John, a daughter Jane, and one grandchild survive.

Vermonters Organize New Philatelic Group

Climaxing BURLPEX, the biggest stamp show ever held in Vermont, the successful and enthusiastic stamp-minded supporters of the event organized the Vermont Philatelic Society in Burlington, July 6.

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384	2c Carmine Imp. Horiz. pair	3.00
385	1c Green Coil	1.50
385	1c Green line pair	5.00
386	2c Carmine coil	2.00
386	2c Carmine line pair	6.50
387	1c Green coil	3.50
387	1c Green line pair	8.50
391	2c Carmine coil	2.75
392	1c Green coil	1.50
393	2c Carmine coil	2.75
393	2c Carmine line pair	7.50
394	3c Deep violet coil	4.00
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407	7c Black	6.00
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412	1c Green coil	.85
413	2c Carmine coil	2.25
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414	8c Olive green	2.00
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456	2c Carmine Blush paper block	27.50
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457	1c Green Blush paper	595
457	1c Green Blush paper	596
458	2c Carmine Blush paper	7.00
458	2c Carmine Blush paper	595
458	2c Carmine Blush paper	596
459	2c Carmine Blush paper block	27.50
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459	2c Carmine Blush paper block	595
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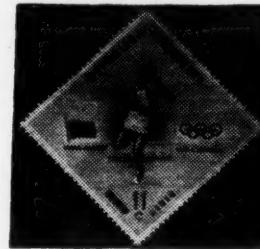
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Sprinter Morrow
In Dominican Set

The American 100 and 200-meter Olympic dash champion, Robert Morrow, is the subject on the 11c airmail stamp of a new set of eight issued July 18 by the Dominican Republic. They come in honor to the winners of eight major events in the recent Olympic Games in Australia.

The series also gives tribute to the nation under which they participated with a display of its flag. The designs show the actual winning of the event along with the athlete's flag in full colors.



An earlier Dominican Olympic set of eight honored all-time Olympic greats; the new set limits itself to the current champions.

Each stamp is printed in at least three colors, in sheets of 70, diamond shape. Denominations are 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7c regular mail and 11, 16 and 17c airmail. Victorious athletes honored are from Sweden, Australia, Norway, France, New Zealand, U. S. A., England, and Brazil.

The series was also released in souvenir sheet form, each sheet containing one of each of the eight stamps grouped around a central label in three different designs. A total of 25,000 sheets (8,333 of each central label design) was released. They are available both perf and imperf. Six sheets are necessary for full coverage.

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German Six Show
Great Paintings

In 1955 the Communist Zone of Germany issued a set of six to publicize the return of famous artwork to the Dresden Art Gallery. These were paintings of famous artists and of considerable value.



On June 26 the postal administration released a similar set of six stamps picturing paintings which are again in the Dresden galleries.

The 5pf sepia pictures the Holy Family with Elizabeth and John by artist Andrea Mantegna; 10pf yellow green, Barberina Campani by Rosalba Carriera; 15pf violet, Portrait of Morette by Hans Holbein; 20pf red, Christ by Tiziano Vecelli; 25pf blue, Saskia with a red flower by Rembrandt; 40pf carmine, The Young Flag-Bearer by Giovanni Battista Piazzetta.

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This was the internationally famed collection of Holy Land stamps formed by Fred E. Taylor of Portland, Ore., and recently given to the Fund for eventual placing in a Jerusalem museum.

The thief selected the nine top value volumes and escaped. The loss was discovered 24 hours later when regional director Guy Landsberg, sought to pick it up to take it to a convention. Police were notified immediately.

Dealers are urged to be wary of any suspicious material offered at bargain prices by unknown vendors, and to report to the organization at the address above.

Chinese Boy, Girl
Scouts Seals Cachets

There will be seals and cacheted envelopes for the 1957 annual Scout Jamboree on the Island of Formosa, place of the Free Chinese Government. The affair is to take place at Pa-kwa shan (Pa-kwa Mountain).

Boy Scouts will be encamped July 22 to 26, while the Girl Scouts take over from July 26 to 30.

Scout Troop 4 of Nan-thou Prefecture will sponsor seals and a cacheted cover according to Howard T. H. Ang, P. O. Box 10, Puli, Formosa. The Girl Scouts will have but a cacheted cover.

Mr. Ang cited no price for any of the above but did mention that funds raised by the Boys and Girls would be used in their Scout work.

SPA Committee Names
Exhibition Judges

The judges for the 63rd annual S. P. A. convention and exhibition to be held in the Municipal Auditorium Long Beach, Calif. August 15-18 have been selected from well known western philatelists.

They are Alex Gage, Herbert C. Schutz and Dr. W. Scott Pollard.

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BOLIVIAN ECONOMIC CONGRESS

Ten stamps have recently been issued in Bolivia to honor the 7th Session of the Latin American Countries' Economic Congress, held in La Paz during June. Five airmails show a map of Central and South America; the five ordinaries depict the building captioned "Unidad Económica Continental", where the session evidently took place. The set was printed by lithography in the offices of La Papelaria S.A., La Paz.

FOUR CAMBODIA POSTAGE DUES

Cambodia has recently released four postage due stamps in a new type. All show the symbol of the State, a flowering tree, and the inscriptions in red, on a pale blue background. The denominations in Arabic and Cambodian numerals are printed in black and values are: 50c, 1, 3 and 5R. Letterpress printing is by the Paris State Printing Office.

AUSTRIA'S MOBILE P.O. ANNIVERSARY TRIPS

One of the most ambitious traveling post office operations ever staged was organized by the Austrian post office to mark the 50th anniversary of its first mobile postal vehicles driven by motor power. Three mobile postal columns have been touring Austria presenting the story of motorized mail to the population. The trips cover the period between June 14 and July 24, when the following itinerary will be followed:

Column 1: Vienna - Baden - Eisenstadt - Payerbach - Hartberg - Furstenfeld - Graz - Wolfsberg - Klagenfurt - Velden - Villach - Spittal - Lienz - Salzburg.

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A special postmark was used for each of the towns in question.

NEW BOOK ANNOUNCED

The Swiss PTT Administration Berne, announces the publication of a new book "Artists Create Postage Stamp Pictures" by H.E. Gaudard, head of the Postage Stamp and Printing Department of the Swiss Post Office. It contains 40 pages, over 250 illustrations, and is priced at 4fr.

SWISS TRAIN POSTS

A special travelling railway post office was in use in Switzerland to mark the 75th anniversary of the St. Gotthard line. Apart from the special 10c stamp, and special mechanical cancellation flags, this anniversary is marked by two special postmarks, inscribed in German and Italian respectively with the legend "Jubilee Train - 75 years St. Gotthard Railway" and showing a diagram of the loop lines and the chapel on the summit.

These trains ran between Goschenen and Bellinzona (June 18), Bellinzona - Chiasso (June 19), Bellinzona - Locarno (June 20) and Goschenen - Luzern (June 21), and each comprised an old postal sorting carriage of 1882 accompanied by a conductor dressed in contemporary uniform.

NETHERLANDS INVALIDATES FIRST "JULIANA" ISSUE

The 1949 issue of Queen Juliana definitive stamp of Holland (portrait of the Queen "en face") will be withdrawn from sale on August 1. They have for some time been replaced by the current "Profile" type. Their postal validity ends on January 1, 1958. Affected are values of 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60 and 75c, 1, 2.50, 5, and 10G.

WEST GERMANY HONORS LIEBIG ACADEMY

On July 3 the West German Federal Post Office released a single green 10pf. engraved stamp in honor of the 350th anniversary of the Ludwigs-University, Giessen. The design chosen portrays the portico of the historical laboratory of Baron Justus von Liebig (of meat extract and Oxo fame), from a design by Helmut Lortz, engraved by the Berlin State Printing Office.

BULGARIA HONORS ALPHABET PIONEERS

Saints Cyril and Methodius, who

pioneered the Cyrillic alphabet (as is well-known, named after the former) are shown on the latest Bulgarian stamp. It is a dark green on yellow 44 stotinki value in honor of the centenary of the first celebration of the day honoring these two sixth century saints, who have also been seen on Czechoslovak stamps. The issue was designed by G. Dimitrov and photogravure printed in Sofia.

Another recent Bulgarian stamp honors the 10th anniversary of the Bulgarian airline "TABSO" and shows an aeroplane in flight over a landscape. It is a blue 80st. printed in photogravure.

The third overprint on the old 1 Leva "First Bulgarian Lorry" stamp of 1951 and 1952 has now appeared. It is again a 16st. surcharge, but this time printed in red. Previously this stamp had been surcharged with this new value in blue, and it is known in two types, thick and thin printing.

East Germany Honors Clara Zetkin

The centenary of the birth of Clara Zetkin, German communist leader, was marked on July 5 by a single red and green 10pf. stamp showing her portrait and a carnation. The design, by R. Skribelka, was photogravure printed by the VEB Graphische Werkstätten, Leipzig, on "DDR and Quatrefoils" watermarked paper. The first-day cover shows her birth place in Wiederau near Rochlitz.

Hungary Honors Esperanto

On June 8, the first new post-revolutionary Hungarian issue was released, two photogravure printed stamps honoring the 70th anniversary of the international language Esperanto. Both are airmails; a brown 60 filler showing the Esperanto star above a map of the world, and two faces in profile talking to each other; the green 1Ft. value brings a portrait of the inventor of Esperanto, L. Zamenhof (1859 - 1917) on the 40th anniversary of his death. His portrait was drawn by Sandor Legrady, who is also responsible for the design of the 60f.

Two Berlin Definitives New Set Inaugurated

A new set of "Famous Men of Berlin" was initiated on June 22 with the release of a 30pf. stamp showing a portrait of Friedrich Karl von Savigny, Prussian Minister of Justice and one of the first Professors at Berlin University. Savigny was born at Frankfurt on February 21, 1779, and died in Berlin on October 25, 1861. He is the most prominent representative of the historical school of judiciary history, and was prominent in the exploration of the historical basis and the traditional popular beliefs on the development of legal forms.

The stamp's design is based on a portrait of Savigny by Franz Kruger, a prominent painter of the Biedermeier period, who died 100 years ago in Berlin. His memory is also honored by this stamp, which was designed by Arthur Degeher, and engraved by Egon Falz.

It is also honored by this stamp, which was designed by Arthur Degeher, and engraved by Egon Falz, being recess-printed at the Federal Printing Office in grey-green and dark brown on the Giori press. 2 million copies were released, produced on the West German "DBR and Quatrefoils" watermarked paper.

The stamps will be sold until December 31, 1958, and remain valid until December 31, 1959.

On July 30, two further stamps in the new "Berlin Buildings" definitives will be released, both from designs by A. Goldammer. The grey-green 30pf. (engraver: E. Winkler) shows the Chamber of Industry and Trade with the Stock Exchange; the blue 40pf. brings Charlottenburg Castle (engraver: E. Falz).

New Zealand Health Stamps — Plus Miniature Sheets!

For the first time ever, the New Zealand post office has consented to the production of "miniature sheets"—blocks of six of the two forthcoming Health issues—which will not be on general sale at post office counters. Their sale will be entrusted chiefly to the Health Camps Federation which already benefits by the "Health" surcharge on the ordinary stamps, and no price is given for these items which will have a nominal value of 1 s. 6d. (for the 2d + 1d value) and 2 s. (for the 3d + 1d value). No official reason for this departure has been given, and the announcement itself is tucked away unobtrusively in the text matter of the official "Philatelic Bulletin".

The stamps themselves—printed by Waterlow's at the Antwerp subsidiary office by the rotary process in sheets of 60—are devoted to sporting activities, viz 2d + 1d black and green, life saving team going into action, designed by L. Cutten, Wellington; 3d + 1d blue and red beach scene, boys in a canoe and swimmers, designed by L. C. Mitchell, Wellington.

There will also be the usual of-

ficial Health F D C's, price 1d each, and special postmarks at five health camps.

July 1 was the first day 1/9 of the two new definitives in the design of the current Queen's Head series, black and orange, and 2/6 brown, the latter in the "Queen on Horseback" type.

Three Falklands In September, Plus New Hebrides

The 1/2d, 1d and 9d Falkland Islands stamps with portrait of the Queen will be released on September 2.

One day later, the new definitives for the New Hebrides will be placed on sale, together with their postage due overprints.

More Malayas: July 25

The second instalment of the new Malayan definitives is due out on July 25. This time three values are included—2c 50c, and \$1. They will be released in the ten territories specified, viz. Kedah, Kelantan, Malacca, Negri Sembilan, Pahang, Penang, Perak, Perlis, Selangor and Trengganu.

Special Flight, Airmail Jubilee

On November 23, a special flight between Adelaide and Gawler, South Australia, will mark the 40th anniversary of the first airmail flight in Australia undertaken by R. Graham Cary (who will be a passenger on this occasion). There will be special cacheted covers.

"Council Of Europe" Officials

It is planned to overprint French stamps with the legend "Official Mail of the Council of Europe" for the use of the Council at its Strasbourg Headquarters, but no further details are known.

Liechtenstein "Tree" Issue

Three stamps for indigenous trees and bushes are planned by Liechtenstein and will be released in the Autumn. It is anticipated that this set will be continued in annual instalments.

Antilles Set For Football Championships

Four values will be issued on August 5 for the 8th Central American and Caribbean Football Championships, which are taking place in Curacao during August. Values and details are: 6c + 2 1/2c, footballer kicking ball (orange); 7 1/2c + 5c (dark carmine), map of the Central American and Caribbean area with football; 15c + 5c (green), goalkeeper taking ball; 22 1/2c + 7 1/2c (blue), three footballers at play.

The first two values are designed by Andre van der Vossen, the remaining two by Frans Lammers, Haarlem. Printing is again by En-

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schedule. Values and designs of the letterings are by van der Vossen. The issue remains on sale until December 15, 1957.

Brazil Plans Suez Issue

On October 24, the Brazilian post office plans to release a stamp honoring the participation of Brazilian forces during the post-Suez operations, but no further details are known.

Turkey Marks U.S. Friendship

Two photogravure printed stamps—produced in the Vienna State Printing Office—were released by Turkey on July 1 to mark Turkish-US Friendship and Cooperation. Values are 25k. violet, 40k. blue. The design shows a symbolic figure 10 (for the 10th anniversary of the Treaty), formed out of a factory chimney from which flies a Turkish-US Flag, and a gearwheel and laurel wreath. 500,000 sets were released.

Zeebrugge Harbor Recalled

Fifty years ago, the harbor installations at Zeebrugge were completed after an eleven year construction period. To honor the event, a single 2fr. stamp was issued by Belgium on July 6 showing the mole at Zeebrugge and ships in the harbor.

The design, by Bodens, was engraved by De Cuyper, and the issue, recess-printed at the Malines Stamp Printing Office, remains on general sale at all Belgian post offices until August 31.

Sweden To Honor Author

The famous Swedish writer Selma Lagerlof is expected to be honored by Sweden with two stamps for release in November. She received the Nobel Prize for literature, and this year marks her 100th birthday.

French Rate Changes Cause "Emergency" Definitives

Postage rates were increased in France with effect from July 1. In consequence a number of stamps have been, or are being, hurriedly reprinted in new and altered values to take care of the demand. The forerunner was released on June 22, a 20fr. in the "Marianne de Muller" design. Other stamps have to be created for the foreign letters (now 35fr.), postcards (now 15fr. inland, and 20fr. abroad).

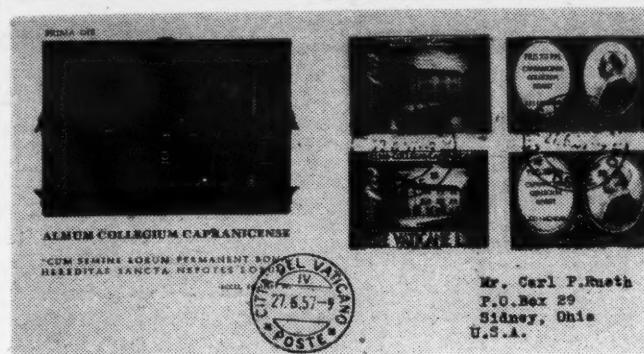
To meet the 15fr. rate, the recent 8fr. definitive "Quesnoy" is being reprinted in brown and blue to fill the demand for this value; the 35fr. will be formed by a reprint of the old 8fr. "Region Bordelaise" in green and blue, and the 70fr. (for urgent parcels) will be formed by reprinting the "Pont Valentre" stamp in grey-black and yellow-green.

To replace the now obsolete 4 and 8fr. stamps, the precancel design "Peasant woman and sheaf of corn" is being issued without precancellation in denominations of 6 and 12fr., colored ochre and violet respectively. They will also replace the 6fr. and 12fr. "Marianne de Muller" which was issued only in coils and booklets.

As these stamps are being issued, obsolete values are being withdrawn, viz. the 20, 40 and 75fr. "Sports" definitives, and 4, 8, 12 and 24fr. precancels, and the 3 and 4fr. postage dues.

For newspaper mail, the "Cock" precancel type only is being retained and it will be released in values of 5fr. grey, 10fr. blue, 15fr. violet, 30fr. orange-red, and 45fr. green.

On August 31, the next French commemorative is due—originally designed as an 18fr. value, now probably 20fr. It will mark the



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FIFTH CENTENARY OF COLLEGE. On June 27 Vatican City issued a set of four commemoratives to mark the 500th year of the Capranica College. There are two designs—the 5 Lire maroon and 35 L. gray have a view of the College—the 10 L. brown and 100 L. ultramarine picture Pope Pius XII and have a panel with dedicatory inscription. Covers were sent by Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City; E. Pagnini, Rome, Italy and Soc. Fimes, Rome, Italy.

World University Sports and was designed and engraved by Cottet. The stamp shows a portrait of Leo Lagrange in front of a stadium.

It will be followed on September 14 by a commemorative honoring the death centenary of Auguste Comte. This will be a 35fr. On September 15 the two French "Europa" stamps are being released in denominations of 20 and 35fr. They are expected to show an allegorical figure of a woman with an olive branch, not dissimilar to the Tunisian issue of 1956. Again the 20fr. will be typographed, the 35fr. engraved.

On October 21, a further set of landscape definitives will be issued, with the following views: 6fr. Beyna (Dordogne); 10fr. Cathedrals of Rouen; 12fr. Palace Les Elysees; 18fr. Valencay Castle; 25fr. View in Guadeloupe. These old and obsolescent denominations will be replaced by current equivalents but in the process, the order of views may well be changed. It is specially necessary to have 65 and 80fr. values for foreign registered letters.

New Nepal Definitives

A new set of Nepalese definitives has been on sale since June 22, the stamps, in two sizes but in identical designs showing the "Shripach" or Nepalese Royal Crown, are in the following values and colors: 2 pice, green; 4p. brown, 6p. pink, 8p. violet, 12p. orange (all in small format of the India

GVI definitives); 16p. brown, 20p. pink, 24p. cerise, 32p. blue, 50p. red, 1 Rupee, light brown, 2Rs. yellow-orange (all in the format of the India KG VI Rupee values).

Offset printing is by the Nasik Security Press.

Costa Rica War Set Released

The long series with which Costa Rica marked the centenary of the war against the buccaneer William Walker has now been released, reprinted by Waterlow & Sons.

These are 5c Map of Costa Rica; 10c Map of Guanacaste; 15c "War House"; 20c House of Santa Rosa; 25c General Quiros; 30c Old home of President de Mora; 35c D. Calvo, Foreign Minister, 1856; 40c L. Molina, Costa Rican Minister in Washington, 1856; 45c General Mora; 50c General Vanas; 55c Monument to Juan Santamaría; 60c National Monument; 65c Antonio Vallerieta; 70c Grand Marshal Marquesado, President of Peru, 1956; 75c Ford at San Carlos; 80c Vice President Oreamond of Costa Rica, 1856; 1 Colon President Mora of Costa Rica.

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More Details On Mayflower Covers

The unusual circumstances surrounding the various covers brought over on the "Mayflower II" which Linn's mentioned in the issue of July 8 have been checked out. From a thoroughly reliable source in Massachusetts, it is learned that:

Advance estimations prior to the landing of the ship were that as high as 200,000 covers were to be processed. Preparations were made toward that task, but due to difficulties in operating the cancelling machines in the post office, only a few over 68,000 were serviced by actual count, with an estimated additional 7000 not strictly accounted for.

Authoritative information is that approximately 75,000 covers were backstamped and/or cancelled. Since some original covers with cachet but not franked or cancelled on board were serviced with U.S. stamps, and since 50,000 or more of the properly addressed covers as originally advertised and sold were included, it is definite that only a small part, if any, of the 100,000 unaddressed covers mentioned by LIFE Magazine "got through". There is "no knowledge" in the Plymouth Post Office of these 100,000.

It is, therefore, definite that any cover lacking the Plymouth, Mass. backstamp (and doubly so if unaddressed) is not of the original group sold in advance of the trip. Such "last minute free-loaders" should be recognized as such and be discounted in value.

Nils A. Thiebaud, of Los Angeles supplied pertinent information about this project.

Newark Host To First Day Cover Meet

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BULLETIN BOARD

The Nebraska News is with a 2c Prexy from Hazard, Neb. in U-120n type. This we understand is a new type. The Nebraska count is 406 Towns and 616 Types. The Pacific Northwest "Newsletter" came with a 2c Liberty from Milton Freewater, Ore. Type U-121n. For those who collect with odd names this should go along with Dr. Phillips, Fla. in our estimation. Surely a fine town.

If you have often wondered about Alaska the "Newsletter" reports that there are nine towns and nine types from Alaska. Idaho has 89 towns, 126 types; Montana 110 towns, 161 types; Oregon 187 towns, 266 types; Washington 214 towns, 346 types and Wyoming 43 towns and 68 types.

WACO 1 1/2 PREXY COIL

Bureau print coils often have a habit of getting used up unexpectedly. This happened all too regularly in the 1922-23 1 1/2c coils, partly because of the switch to the full face Harding 1 1/2c coils and to other reasons that could not rightly be explained. Anyways a writer in the FORUM feels that the 1 1/2c Waco coil that appeared early this year with TEXAS spelled out in full will probably be a rarity. It already seems to be out of stock in the post office.

Just why new plates for this item were made is not easy to explain. Neither Noble or Gunesch 3rd edition lists the stamp. When the narrow sheet stamps for Waco appeared they had the state name spelled in full, but the coils being WIDE types still had the "TEX." abbreviation. However publicity sometimes has the power to pull out some of these reluctant items and maybe this will be the case here. Look for a 1 1/2c Prexy coil from WACO, TEXAS and be sure "Texas" is spelled out in full.



Mr. Carl P. Rust
617 Fair Ave
Sidney, Ohio

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

INDIAN AND COWBOY are a likely theme for the cachet of this first day cover of the Oklahoma Statehood commem. This artwork is hand drawn by William N. Wright, 1365 Jefferson Ave., Ogden, Utah, who prepares a limited quantity of such FDC's of each new commem for his customers. In seven colors it is a most attractive show piece.

POD Offers Use Special Display

A colorful exhibit of American postage stamps on the subject of transportation was shown at Houston, Texas May 12-18, as part of the Post Office Department's observance of National Transportation Week.

The exhibit, 4 x 5 feet, displays interesting stamps dating back to 1869 portraying post riders, stage coaches, locomotives, planes and so forth.

It will be available, after its showing in Houston, for display in other cities in connection with community transportation events. No itinerary for showing after Houston has yet been developed, however.

"It is particularly fitting," Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield commented, "that the Post Office Department is participating in the observance of National Transportation Week."

"E. George Sieidle, Assistant Postmaster General in charge of transportation in the Post Office Department, was instrumental — as a former President of the Associated Traffic Clubs — in coordinating national interest in the transportation industry, which is so vital to the nation's welfare.

"Transportation, of course, is the lifeblood of the mails, since 90 per cent of the mail by weight which the Post Office Department handles is non-local and must be moved out of the city in which it originates. The transportation industry enables us to provide mail service between our more than 37,000 post offices, as well as with all the other nations of the world."

Included in the new display are three stamps from an 1869 series — a 2c showing a post horse and rider, a 3c showing a locomotive of the era, and a 12c showing the S. S. Adriatic, an early steamship.

Some of later issue show the development of transportation over the years, from the ox-cart and stage coach to the tractor-trailer, from the small locomotive to the mammoth diesel, the canoe to the ocean liner and the Wright Brothers' plane to the swept-wing world.

Manpower so essential to transportation, postal and otherwise, is recognized by stamps honoring the railroad engineers (1950), the railway postal clerk (1913) and several showing the letter carrier making delivery.

The Post Office Department also had an exhibition at Houston during the same week its highly-acclaimed exhibit on proper packaging. This modern display, illustrating and explaining proper packaging methods, was first seen at the American Management Assn. convention in April 1956 in Atlantic City and has been shown in several other cities since.

EXHIBITION DATES

July 26-28 — Kansas-Missouri Jamboree, Town House Hotel, Kansas City, Kan. Hosts Kansas Precancel Society, Missouri Precancel Club.

August 3-4 — Second Annual American First Day Cover Society Convention and Exhibition, Essex Hotel, Newark, N.J.

August 8-11 — 36th Annual Convention and 26th Exhibition of the Precancel Stamp Society, Penn-Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Aug. 15-18 — Society of Philatelic Americans, Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, Calif.

Aug. 22-25 — American Philatelic Society, Hillsboro Hotel, Tampa, Fla.

Aug. 23-24 — HOPEX, Moana Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii, hosted by Pacific Command and Hawaiian Philatelic Societies.

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Italians Honor An Ancient Roman Poet

Among stamps recently received, reports Vittorio Lo Bianco, New York City, are a 25 Lire green and black for the Bimillenary of the birth of the Roman poet Publius Ovidius Naso; a 500L. and 1000L. regular postage depicting the famous statue of Saint George; a 6L. orange of the Siracusana issue watermark stars, and a 65L. of the workers issue also watermark stars.

Already announced and coming soon should be 3 values for the second centenary of the Italian sculptor Canova, one for the Bimillenary of the death of the famous Roman orator Cicero, and one for the first centenary of the death of Saint Domenico Savio, already honored by the Vatican with a set of four.

Also in the program is a stamp to publicize the traffic safety campaign, and finally a 100L due is expected watermark stars.

The proposed San Marino flower set of ten values is expected to have a face of about 50c.

Single Stamp Notes
Buenos Aires Siege

A special stamp of 40c value was released July 6 by Argentina to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the defense of Buenos Aires.



During the 1806 war of French and Spanish against the English, the latter forces captured the city. Later, as honored by the current emission, the patriots recaptured it and subsequently went on to independence.

The stamp pictures the church of Santo Domingo, scene of much of the 1807 fighting, as it appeared at that time. The color is emerald green; the quantity, 5,000,000.

Two UN Airs. Two Regulars Reprinted

The latest release from the United Nations discloses that 600,000 reprints of each of four past issues have recently been made.

Full sheets are necessary for positive identification or at best that area wherein control numbers were printed on the originals. The reprints have no control numbers on the sheets, which are perforated through all margins.

Reprinted were: the 20c regular issue depicting "World Unity", of November 16, 1951, reprinted February 1957; 25c "United Nations Flag", October 24, 1951, reprinted November 1956; 15c "Swallows and UN Emblem" of December 14, 1951, reprinted December 1954, March 1956 and February 1957; and 25c "Swallows and Emblem" airmail, December 14, 1951, reprinted November 1956.

Religion On Stamps
Group At SPA Show

The Southern California chapter of COROS (Collectors of Religion on Stamps Society) will conduct an intensive propaganda and recruiting campaign during the August 15-18 SPA convention at Long Beach, Calif. Special displays, posters and collections of topical stamps will attract visitors and stimulate interest in the field.

During the convention COROS will hold a regional meeting for members and prospective recruits in the area. For information regarding the exhibition and the meeting, write Waller A. Sager, 6232 Annan Way, Los Angeles 42, Calif.

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Dealer ★
Doings

Dealer Alfred Boerger, 1851 Brame Pl., Toledo 12, Ohio combined a vacation trip and the first day of issue of the U. S. Flag stamp July 4. He prepared a number of colorfully cacheted first day covers (postal card) for his customers. He has a few of these remaining which will be sent to those sending a stamped, addressed envelope. One to each.

Probably the most widespread and pleasing publicity ever given Canadian stamps appeared in Canada's Week End Magazine newspaper edition written by T. H. Harris of Montreal. Canadian issues are shown in color. K. Bileski, Station B, Winnipeg, Canada will send a copy free to approval applicants for his Canada Basic Catalog.

See ad this edition.

No doubt many readers spotted the error in catalog listing in the July 1 ad of C. W. Yost, 615 Alturas, Tucson, Ariz., in which the firm offered 125 different mint U. S. for \$4.50 beginning with the Newburgh, Scott No. 752. The ad had the cat. number as 178 which is not correct. The offer is fully guaranteed to please or refund made.

His list No. 69, with prices valid to August 31 is announced by A. B. Crane, P. O. Box 351, Altoona, Pa. The "Crane List" is concerned with plate blocks from the Bi-Cents to date including the Prefixes and Liberty regulars plus airmails. These are priced by position. The list is obtained by subscription—enquiries can be sent to the address above.

Those who have need of a large quantity of used United States stamps will want the list published by Cambria Stamps, 115-30 209th St., Cambria Heights 11, N. Y. It is sent for 25¢ which sum is deductible from the first order. Offers begin with the Columbians per cent, ten and hundred. Recent commems are available by thousands.

A 32-page catalog devoted to Sports depicted on Postage Stamps has been published by Y. H. Kolar, 5 Yad Mordehay St., Givatayim, Israel. It has a reasonably good coverage of the subject but is by no means a complete presentation. It sells for 55¢. Listings and prices are given in English and Hebrew as are the various descriptions of the stamps.

Herbert A. Schwartz, Meadowbrook Lane, Old Westbury, N. Y. has had the same perplexing experience other dealers have had, the receiving of orders on which the customer has failed to include a complete address. He advises that he has a number of orders on hand awaiting delivery for that reason. If you haven't heard from him, write.

Now in the mails is the fourth anniversary edition of the "Academy Bulletin" published by Academy Stamps, Inc., 1766 N.W. 7th St., Miami 35, Fla. It is obtainable on subscription. The text includes informative reading matter about many of the world's stamps as well as numerous offers from the firm's stocks. Inquiries are invited.

A break in the firm's monthly series of mail auctions has been announced by the Pasadena Stamp Co., 419 S. Grand Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif. There will be none in August. The next one is September 10. It will have U.S.A., U.N., Israel, Ryukyu, FDC's, Airmails, British Empire and General Foreign. Catalogs of the sale are free on request.

H. Dreyfuss, P. O. Box 37, Sunnyvale, Calif. has now available their new 48-page Fall Wholesale Price List. Offered are the usual mint sets of Europe, Country Packets and Collections, mint and used U.S. There is also a fine range of mint Japanese and Chinese pre-war sets as well as some Hawaiian officials in sheets over 60 years old.

From July 12 to 29 the Colonial Stamp Shop, Saugerties, N. Y. will be closed because owners Mr. and Mrs. James Hoffman are in St. Petersburg, Fla. on vacation. The firm specializes exclusively in mint and used United States stamps and has advertised these extensively at attractive prices in Linn's. Business goes on as usual after the 29th.

Dorn Good Stamps, P. O. Box 2255, Greensboro, N. C. are now acting as jobbers of glassine envelopes and are able to supply the trade throughout the southeastern area at net jobbing prices and

promptly, as well as affording an appreciable savings on transportation costs. Confidential dealers' price list sent on request written on dealer's letterhead.

"Stamps and Covers of the World" just about gives the full scope of the service offered in this field by Andrew G. Flesch, 84-49 Elmhurst Ave., Elmhurst 73, N. Y. Mr. Flesch not only has first days but also special event ones many from the "hard to get" places. He invites want lists. He also buys and appraises such collections.

Collectors Club
Philatelist For May

The May 1957 number of the Collectors Club Philatelist offers much solid stamp information in a number of fields. This number opens, in the editorial section, with a philatelic biography of Theodore E. Steinway, the last of the old-timers, who died recently; and of Max G. Johl, well known deep student of United States stamps, who also passed away this spring.

South America bulks large in this number, with two major articles. One is the excellent treatment of the issues of the 1876-78 period of Corrientes, one of the series on that country by Louis Stich. The other is the main section, with a shorter one to follow, of Gen. C. W. Wickerham's article on the Venezuela 1879 "Large Escuelas" stamps.

Edwin Mueller briefly discusses and brings into order new information on the little-known but highly prized 1947 "Tokay Roulette" of Austrian stamps. This is of interest to collectors of Hungary, as the roulette itself and the use of these stamps was in Hungary.

The reports of Collectors Club meetings include sufficient detail reporting to be actual useful reference articles on U. S. Essays and Proofs, on Jaipur, on Liechtenstein airmails, and on the resources for information which the Philatelic Foundation has.

Copies may be had, at \$2 post free, from the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N. Y.

Topical Group Offers
"Ships" Handbook

The subject of ships and other watercraft on stamps is covered in a thorough manner in the newest of the American Topical Association's handbook #19, just published.

Edited by H.F. Rayl, "Ships on Stamps", lists over 9500 stamps picturing watercraft and designates how large the craft is in each design.

Writeup information is provided on thousands of stamps including the type of watercraft, the year built and the owner or persons with whom the ship is commonly associated. Information of this type has not heretofore been readily available.

A novel feature of the volume is a series of photo illustrations of pages of ship stamps from outstanding collections. Numerous individual stamps are also illustrated.

The 60 page, well-illustrated handbook sells for \$3 from the American Topical Assn., 1602 W. Wells St., Milwaukee 3, Wis.

SPA Pre-Convention
Attraction Offered

Realizing that conventioneers like to see more than things philatelic, the committee planning the SPA activities in Long Beach, Calif., August 15-18 has developed something special.

The big side attraction is a "quickie" ocean voyage to the famed Santa Catalina Island. It has been scheduled for August 14.

Reservations are necessary; price \$6.25 for each round trip ticket, from Mrs. Emily Moorefield, general chairman, P. O. Box 3313, Long Beach 3, Calif.

Convention activities start August 12; the exhibition, bourse, post office and first business session of this 63rd Annual

